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Sir:

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IN THE TITLE:

Please amend the title to read: --APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATED BIOPSY
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On page 1, before "Field of the Invention", please insert the following: --This
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